

TO: Redistricting Committee

FROM: Ald. Jake C. Salomone, City of Momence – Ward 1

DATE: April 24, 2021

RE: Regional Communities and the Boundaries of Illinois Districts – Kankakee

Thank you for the opportunity to briefly testify with a written statement and for taking the time to address the boundaries of the Illinois Districts, specifically in the Kankakee area. As an elected official for Ward 1 in the City of Momence, I would like to propose modifying the boundaries of the Illinois House of Representatives District 79 to include the entire City of Momence. The Census 2020 was of great importance to our City and we made significant efforts to provide an accurate count, so utilizing the results of those counts to modify the boundaries of our representation to include our entire City in District 79 would be of great benefit for our community.

As the committee meets to discuss, please consider modifying the boundaries of the Illinois House of Representatives District 79 to include the entire City of Momence. A Representative primarily focused on Chicago has very different strategies and goals than our community, and including all of the City of Momence in District 79 will align better with the overall region and our needs as a community.

Kind regards,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Jake Salomone". The signature is written in a cursive style with a large initial "J".

Ald. Jake Salomone
City of Momence